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The request to restart the period for reply (dated 23 Feb 2004) is NOT granted. It was argued that the ROBA reference was not sent to Applicant or included on the PTO-892 form. Since the ROBA reference was properly cited in the PTO-892 dated 6/19/2003 and a copy sent to applicant, there is no reason for Office to cite/submit additional copies to Applicant. It is noted that a copy of ROBA has been faxed to Applicant in Feb, 2004 as per a telephone request by Applicant.

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